



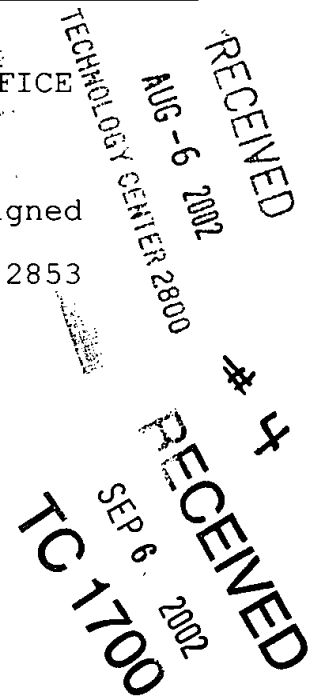
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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
Katsutoshi MISUDA) Examiner: Unassigned
Application No.: 10/080,672) Group Art Unit: 2853
Filed: February 25, 2002)
For: RECORDING MEDIUM, IMAGE-) August 5, 2002
FORMING METHOD EMPLOYING)
THE SAME, PROCESS FOR)
PRODUCING THE SAME :

Director, the Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231



INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the documents listed on the enclosed Form PTO-1449. Copies of the listed documents are enclosed.

A copy of a European Search Report, dated June 17, 2002, from a counterpart application and citing the documents, is also enclosed for the Examiner's convenience.

Applicant has obtained an English language computer database abstract, and an English language (Canadian) counterpart for the non-English document. The counterpart is also listed on the PTO-1449, and a copy is enclosed.

FORMAL MATTERS


In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b), since a first Official Action on the merits of the subject application has not yet been issued, neither a certificate, petition nor payment of a fee is believed to be required for this Information Disclosure Statement. However, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fee which may be required in connection with this paper to Deposit Account No. 06-1205. A duplicate of this paper is enclosed.

CONCLUSION

It is respectfully requested that the above information be considered by the Examiner and that the enclosed Form PTO-1449 be returned indicating that such information has been considered.

Applicant's undersigned attorney may be reached in our Washington, D.C. office by telephone at (202) 530-1010. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our address given below.

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